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DRAFT AGENDA
March 22-23, 2012
Room 102, State Capitol

Thursday, March 22

- 8:30 Call to order, roll call, approval of January minutes - Rep. Elsie Arntzen, Chair**
- 8:35 Educational Opportunities for Military Children, state compact**
- Introduction - Rep. Price
 - Compact overview, reasons for state adoption - Jacline Harriman, State Liaison, Western Region; Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, Military Community and Family Policy
 - Rick Masters, Special Counsel for Interstate Compacts and legal consultant to the National Center for Interstate Compacts, Council of State Governments (CSG)
 - Norman Arflak, Brig. Gen. (ret.), Executive Director, Interstate Commission on Educational Opportunities for Military Children, CSG
 - Public comment
 - Committee questions, discussion, decision on requesting legislation
- 9:45 The role of libraries in education - Montana Library Association representatives**
- Judy Hart, Government Affairs Chair, MLA
 - Jennie Stapp, State Librarian
 - Committee questions, discussion
- 10:00 HB 142 Compliance: Student Loan Advisory Council (2-15-1520, MCA)**
- Role and future of the Council - Bruce Marks, Mick Robinson, Ron Muffick
 - Committee questions, discussion, action, if any
- 10:45 Teachers' Retirement System status**
- Dave Senn, Director, TRS
- 11:30 Use of Extracurricular School Funds**
- Statutory limits on use of funds - Dan Whyte, Staff Attorney
 - Montana Association of School Business Officials comment - Steve Johnson, MASBO (unconfirmed)
 - Committee questions, discussion, action, if any

- 12:00 **Committee budget discussion**
- 12:15 **Lunch**
- 1:00 **K-12 Finance Training**
*** A break will occur at 2:00 so committee members may attend the ceremony commemorating the unveiling of the Francis Bardanouve plaque in the Capitol East Wing***
- Litigation review - Dan Whyte, LSD Staff Attorney
 - Policy review - Jim Standaert, Fiscal Analyst, LFD
 - Funds that comprise budgets - Barb Smith, Statewide Fiscal Policy Analyst, LFD
- 3:30 **HJR 39 Subdivision for Lease or Rent study**
- Review AG opinion - Helen Thigpen, LSD Staff Attorney
 - Update on work group meetings, areas of agreement, where to go from here - Kelly Casillas, Administrator, Community Development Division; Deputy Chief Legal Counsel, Department of Commerce
 - Work group member comment
 - Public comment
- 5:00 **Public comment on any matter within ELG subject matter jurisdiction**
- 5:15 **Recess**

Friday, March 23

- 8:00 **Reconvene**
- 8:05 **Indian School Board Caucus - Montana School Boards Association**
- James DeHerrera, Poplar
 - Additional presenters, TBA
- 9:30 **Shared Policy Goals review**
- K-20: graduation data, National Student Clearinghouse data, course coding system/transferability - Madalyn Quinlan, Office of Public Instruction; Tyler Trevor, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education
 - MUS: Strategic Plan changes - Tyler Trevor, OCHE
- 10:30 **Board of Regents/OCHE**
- MUS system initiatives/legislative initiatives - Tyler Trevor, OCHE
 - Funding 2-year education
- 11:30 **Funding Common Core**

- Introduction - Rep. Mehlhoff
- Comments from Great Falls Public Schools

12:00

Working lunch (lunch provided for committee members): Chapter 55 Task Force
- Dennis Parman, OPI

- Task force history, mission, goals
- Progress and future
- Discussions on performance-based accreditation
- Committee questions, discussion

1:00

Public comment on any matter within ELG subject area jurisdiction

1:15

Review June meeting, instructions to staff

1:30

Adjourn